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REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE VINH/DONG HOI RAIL LINE IN NORTH VIETNAM:

A TURNING WYE IS LOCATED AT 1754N 10600E (UTM XE063807) 0.2 NM NW OF THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE (BE

A SMALL GAUGE RAIL TRACK EXTENDS FROM THE VICINITY OF

nvance com 25X1 THE WYE TRACK SW TO A PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED BUT UNREPORTED CABLE TRAMWAY CROSSING UNDER CONSTRUCTION OVER THE RAO NAY (RIVER) AT UTM XEØ618Ø5. THE TRAMWAY CROSSING CONSIST OF A SINGLE CABLE ANCHORAGE ON THE NE BANK OF THE RIVER AND TWO CABLE ANCHORAGES ON THE SW BANK. SIMILAR TRAMWAY CROSSINGS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED XOM KHE RAILROAD BRIDGE AT 1758N 10555E (REF A) AND

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ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE (REF B). THESE CABLE TRAMWAYS UTILIZE TWO SEPARATE CABLES WHICH WOULD PROBABLY PERMIT THE UTILIZATION OF TWO TRAMWAY CARS: THUS A TRAMWAY CAR COULD BE LOCATED ON EACH RIVER BANK DURING THE TRANSLOADING OPERATION. BOTH CARS WOULD BE SHUTTLED BY ONE DRIVE MECHANISM.

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2. THE PRESENT RAILHEAD IS LOCATED AT 1752N 10601E (UTM XE090770)
0.6 NM SOUTHEAST OF ITS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TERMINUS (REF C).

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3. HEAVY VEHICULAR TRACK ACTIVITY EXTENDS GENERALLY SSW FROM
THE SOUTHWEST BANK OF THE RAO NAY (RIVER) AT THE SITE OF THE TRAMWAY
(REF A) ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE
AT UTM XEØ638Ø3 TO THEIR JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 11Ø AT UTM XEØ75773.

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